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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Fumio MIZUTA

Group Art Unit: 3618

Application No.: 10/683,702

Examiner: C. BOTTORFF

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Docket No.: 117510

For: BATTERY HOLDING STRUCTURE FOR VEHICLE

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant's representative conducted a personal interview with Examiner Bottorff on October 20, 2005. Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Bottorff during the personal interview. Applicant's summary of the substance of the interview is contained in the following remarks.

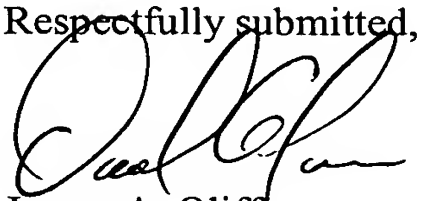
Applicant's representative discussed the amendments and arguments presented in Applicant's Amendment filed on October 6, 2005, with the Examiner. The amendments to independent claim 1 were reviewed. The Examiner indicated that Applicant's arguments had merit and that further consideration would be given of the Amendment.

Examiner Bottorff explained that he remained concerned regarding the definiteness of claim 1 specifically regarding the feature a floor panel of a vehicle having a battery support part for supporting a battery on the floor panel, provided with mounting holes penetrating the battery support part. The Examiner explained that his concerns could be overcome by further amending independent claim 1 recite a floor panel of a vehicle having a battery support part for supporting

a battery on the floor panel, the floor panel provided with mounting holes penetrating the battery support part. Applicant's representative indicated that should the Examiner conclude that the amendments and arguments presented in the October 6 Amendment, supplemented by the discussion in the October 20 personal interview, overcome the prior art rejections or the Office Action, then the Examiner is authorized to amend independent claim 1 in the manner proposed.

Should any questions arise regarding this correspondence, the Patent Office is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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